Database Search Strategies





Finding More Book Titles With the **Novelist** Database

The Novelist database can help you find books similar to the ones you have read and enjoyed.

Here's how:

- **1.a. When you are at the Library:** Select the "Other Databases" button in the Library Catalog (on a catalog computer). Look in the center column for the **Novelist** heading.
- **1.b. When you are using a computer at home:** Go to http://www.tempe.gov/library/. Select **electronic resources**. Look for the **Novelist** heading.
- 2. You will need to input your library card number and PIN before you may gain access.



3. Click on the **Start** button.



4. Select the Find a Favorite Author link.



5. Type the name of your favorite author in the **Find** box; then press the **Search** button.

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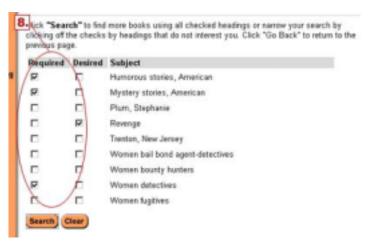




6. From the list of titles, select one you like.



7. The page which appears contains book reviews and other information for the title you chose. Click on the **Find Similar Books** link.



8. You will go to a page of subject headings with a check box for each heading. Select the headings which reflect what you liked most about the book; then select the **Search** link.

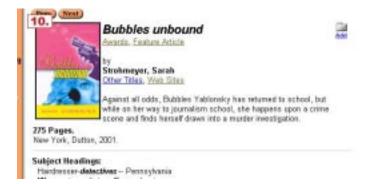
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9. You will see a list of books which share the same criteria you chose, including some by your favorite author, and additional authors you might enjoy. Select a title by an author who is new to you, and click on the link to that title.



10. Look at the description and reviews for that book to see if it is one you want to read. You may check the <u>Library Catalog</u> to see if your book is currently available, or contact the Reference Desk.

If you have any questions about this search, call the Tempe Public Library Reference Desk at (480)350-5511. The Librarian will be able to tell you how to get the information you need.